

NEBRASKA RIVERS ARE BREAKING UP

Dynamite is Used and Bridges Saved and Ice Gorges Come Down the Streams.

COLD WEATHER HELPS OUT

The cool weather Friday night again checked the melting of snow up-state and made more remote the possibility a flood along the valleys of the Nebraska streams.

Along the Union Pacific the Platte and the Loup rivers have started to break up. Between Rogers and Schuyler Friday afternoon the ice in the Platte commenced to move and soon gorged at a point a short distance above Rogers.

The Union Pacific sent out from Fremont a dynamiting crew and before night the gorge was broken up.

Waters Have Receded.

Farther west, along the Union Pacific, the ice in the streams is breaking up and running out without any damage.

Along the Northwestern, above Fremont, at a number of points the Elk-horn river has broken up and the ice is running out.

The Missouri Pacific ice crew Friday afternoon broke the ice gorges along the Platte and the Platte rivers and the water quickly receded, leaving the line in good condition.

The Washakie has replaced the bridge washed out over a branch of the Turke river, between Blanchard and Coon, Ia., and trains are coming and going on time.

Germans Announce Another Defeat of British Troops

BERLIN, Feb. 19.—(Via London.)—Another fruitless attack by the British southeast of Ypres, where the Germans recently captured several hundred yards of trenches, was announced today by the war office.

Supreme Court Finds Error in Estelle Case

According to word from Lincoln, the Nebraska supreme court has overturned the verdict for \$25,000 damages awarded District Judge Estelle against the Omaha Daily News in April, 1911.

The suit, which was tried at Fremont, grew out of bitter political attacks made on Judge Estelle. He sued on grounds that he had been libeled and the case was transferred from the district court to Fremont.

Big Chemical Plant Damaged by Fire

BRISTOL, Tenn., Feb. 18.—Explosion of a lantern early today at the plant of the Federal Dye Stuffs and Chemical company, near Kingsport, Tenn., set fire to a chemical tank, which threatened several buildings with destruction.

Heard at the City Hall

The municipal building will be closed next Tuesday, in honor of George Washington. Commissioner Hummel is still looking for his lost deer. William B. Whitehorn was a visitor at the park office.

AMBASSADOR MARYE RESIGNS—As his successor at the court of Petrograd ex-Gov. David R. Francis of Missouri is mentioned.



GEO. T. MARYE JR.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 19.—Ambassador George T. Marye, representative of the United States at Petrograd, Russia, has broken down under the war strain. He has decided that he must retire from the diplomatic service.

BRIEF CITY NEWS

'Townsend's for Sporting Goods.' Janitor's Supplies, Jas. Morton & Son Co. Lighting Fixtures—Burgess-Grands. News Book Print Co.—New Beacon Press. Dr. Store removed to 714 Broad. The Auto Tire Chain, Jas. Morton & Son Co. Ent. \$50 a mo. Price \$2,500—Ark Diment, Keelins Bldg., for particulars.

Axe Murderers Dig Grave of the Victim Before Killing Him

CHICAGO, Feb. 13.—An axe murder, planned so carefully that even the grave for the victim was dug before he was slain, was revealed today, the police say, in a confession by Mrs. Teofil Zdrovicki.

WAITER LEAVES VICTIMS BEHIND

Pilfers from Police Judge, Lawyers, Advertising Man and Even a Coal Dealer.

BUT FOSTER GETS HIS BACK

When a young man employed as waiter in the home of Mrs. J. C. McKenzie, 424 Park avenue, suddenly departed, recently, it was later discovered that a number of well known Omaha men, who board at the above address, were minus a number of their possessions.

E. D. Smalls of the Conservative Savings and Loan association was relieved of \$47. Iver Nielsen of the Sheridan Coal company, \$3; Julius Rechter of the same concern, a valuable eticpin.

Yale Holland, attorney, two suits of clothes and a fraternity pin; A. C. Munger, attorney, son of Judge T. C. Munger of Lincoln, a suit, not a damage suit; Frank C. Buitta, advertising manager of the Nebraska Telephone company, a quantity of clothing.

Police Judge Charles Foster lost 25 cents and E. N. Edwards of the Burgess-Nash stores a silver cigarette case. It was through the latter article that George Dwyer, 511 North Seventeenth street, a friend of the missing waiter, was arrested and sentenced to twenty days in the county jail.

BIG \$1,000,000 AUTO EXPOSITION OPENS ON MONDAY

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and the building lighted by an entirely different method. The steel rafters will be thoroughly hidden and the entire barn-like effect will be completely eliminated.

The lighting system of the Auditorium this year remains a dyed-in-the-wool secret. A good many hours of diligent study was put on this subject and when the directors of the show did decide on the system they determined on one that is distinctly new and novel and, according to the directors, will have anything New York or Chicago ever had trimmed to a frazzle.

Last year the exhibition included cars valued at \$500,000. This year that \$500,000 mark will look like the remains of a sand-bag trench after the explosion of a 6-centimeter shell. The total value of exhibits this year will just double that figure. A \$1,000,000 show. For eleven years, ever since the birth of the annual show, Omaha auto men have been striving for a million-dollar show.

'We'll have a million-dollar show and a mighty one, too.' These weren't larger, thingier, or even hopeful, in the manner of speech. It was a positive declaration.

AXE MURDERERS DIG GRAVE OF THE VICTIM BEFORE KILLING HIM

By reaching the coveted mark so quickly Omaha takes its place as one of the leading show cities. Except that the extent of the national shows is greater, Omaha takes its stand right with New York and Chicago.

Factories are sending their exhibits intact to Omaha. Several manufacturers, who have come to realize that it is in the agricultural sections of the country that sales will be made this year and accordingly realize that Omaha and the Omaha show is of utmost importance, are even sending cars to Omaha that were not displayed at Gotham and the Windy City.

UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR TO LECTURE HERE TODAY.



DEAN CHARLES FORDYCE.

Dean Fordyce of the Nebraska State university will be in Omaha today and at the auditorium of the Young Men's Christian association this afternoon at 4 o'clock, he will deliver his illustrated lecture on "Watch Him Grow."

Manufacturers whose scope of business is international could be asked or obtained. Already over a score of factory representatives are in Omaha assisting the local men in their plans for the show.

Daniels Asks Money to Repair Warships

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—A \$2,707,000 emergency appropriation for immediate necessary repairs of machinery in battleships, torpedo boat destroyers and submarines, to increase the supply of mines and for the first time to equip battleships with anti-aircraft guns, was asked of congress today by Secretary Daniels.

A Three Day Sale of Infants' Wear Commencing Monday a. m. Includes illustrations of children and a list of items for sale.

- List of clothing items for sale with prices: Infants' Dressing Bibs, 10c and 15c values, now 8c; Hand-Made Bibs, \$1.00 and \$1.25 values, now 80c; Infants' Feeding Bibs, 15c, 25c and 50c values, now 11c; Pique Lap Pads, \$1.25 values, 80c; Infants' Cashmere Sacques, hand embroidered, \$1.00 values, 70c; \$1.50 values, \$1.29; \$1.95 values, \$1.59; \$2.50 values, \$1.99; Baby Pillow Covers, hand embroidered, fine linen or lawn, \$1.95 to \$2.50 values, now \$1.39; Crib Quilts of cotton voile or silk-oline, \$1.25 values, now 95c; \$1.75 values, now \$1.45; Carriage Robes of double down, in white, with pink or blue ribbon trimmings, \$1.25 value, now 95c; \$1.55 value, now \$1.45; Infants' Flannel Skirts, 25c and 29c values, now \$1.19; Flannel Skirts, \$1.00 and \$1.25 values, now 80c; Flannel Skirts, \$1.50 and \$1.95 values, now \$1.45.

Prices Good for Three Days Only BENSON & THORNE CO. 1616-18-20 FARNAM STREET.

Pianos! Pianos! Lowest Prices Ever Quoted Sale Continues Another Week. Includes text about piano sale and a list of piano models and prices.



NOTICE THE EXTRA CUT IN PRICES FOR THE NEXT SIX DAYS. Lists prices for various piano models like \$250 Upright, Walnut case, was \$125, now \$98.

NEW ORLEANS and the MARDI GRAS The Ideal Way to See Them Under the Auspices of the ILLINOIS CENTRAL. Includes text about the Mid-Winter Vacation Party.

How Grip, Pneumonia and Influenza Victims May Gain Strength. The Recent Epidemic Has Left Many Weak and Run-Down Systems Which Must Be Built Up. Includes text about health and a list of products.

THE OLD RELIABLE Metz Beer. Wm. J. Swoboda Retail Dealer. Phone Douglas 222. Omaha, Neb.

BE A SWAPPER Make swaps for profit. Look into the "Swappers' Column"

If You Suffer From Piles. Includes text about the benefits of the medicine and a coupon for a free sample.